

Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claims 1, 2, 4, 6, 10, and 11 to 24 have been previously canceled.

3. (Previously Amended) The ^{13}C -labeled oligosaccharide or polysaccharide or a salt thereof according to claim 5, which is not hydrolyzable with α -glucosidase.

5. (Currently Amended) A ^{13}C -labeled oligosaccharide or polysaccharide, or a salt thereof comprising:

^{13}C -cyclodextrin or at least one sugar molecule constituting the-oligosaccharide or polysaccharide being modified with at least one modifying group,

wherein said sugar molecule or modifying group is ^{13}C -labeled, and said modifying group is selected from a group consisting of a galactosyl group, a digalactosyl group, an ~~alkoxyl~~ group, a carbamoyl group, a pyrimidino group, an ethylidene group, and a benzylidene group.

7. (Previously Amended) The ^{13}C -labeled oligosaccharide or polysaccharide or a salt thereof according to claim 5, which is a cyclic oligosaccharide or polysaccharide.

8. (Previously Amended) The ^{13}C -labeled oligosaccharide or polysaccharide or a salt thereof according to claim 6~~5~~, which is modified at the non-reducing terminal.

9. (Previously Amended) The ^{13}C -labeled oligosaccharide or polysaccharide or a salt thereof according to claim 5, which is a ^{13}C -cyclodextrin or β -galactosyl- ^{13}C -maltooligosaccharide.
